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1. ARRIVALS. THE PRESIDENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO COLONEL JOACHIM OPANGO ARRIVED IN TRIPOLI JUNE 25 FOR A THREE-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT. CONGOLESE PRESIDENT WAS MET ON ARRIVAL BY LIBYAN MAJOR JALLUD AND PEOPLE'S CONGRESS CHAIRMAN UBAYDI. PRESIDENT OPANGO WAS ACCOMPANIED BY CONGOLESE MINISTER AND ENERGY AND SEVERAL SENIOR CONGOLESE OFFICIALS. IN A JOINT COMMUNIQUE AT THE END OF VISIT BOTH PARTIES AFFIRMED THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR AND CONDEMNED WHITE MINORITY REGIMES IN SOUTH AFRICA, ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA. THE TWO COUNTRIES DEMANDED THE WITHDRAWAL OF "ZIONIST ENEMY" FROM ALL OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORY
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AND REAFFIRMED THEIR SUPPORT FOR "THE LEGITIMATE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE TO RETURN TO THEIR HOMES." THE CONGOLESE PRESIDENT EXPRESSED SUPPORT IN THE COMMUNIQUE FOR THE HOLDING OF AN ARAB SUMMIT CONFERENCE IN TRIPOLI AS AN EFFORT WHICH WOULD STRENGTHEN ARAB UNITY "IN THE FACE OF IMPERIALIST ZIONIST RACIST CHALLENGES." BOTH PARTIES TO THE COMMUNIQUE REITERATED THEIR SUPPORT FOR NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT AND A NEW INTERNATIONAL

ECONOMIC ORDER. COMMUNIQUE ENDED WITH MUTUAL PRAISE OF SIGNATORIES.

2. A MAURITANIAN DELEGATION LED BY MAURITANIAN UNDERSECRETARY OF FISHERIES AND MERCHANT MARINE INDUSTRY ARRIVED IN TRIPOLI JUNE 19 FOR A VISIT OF SEVERAL DAYS. MAURITANIAN OFFICIALS REPORTEDLY WILL DISCUSS POSSIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A LIBYAN-MAURITANIAN ARAB COMPANY FOR FISHERIES AND EXPORTATION OF MARINE WEALTH.

3. COLONEL QADHAFI MET JUNE 29 WITH MOHAMMED ABDUL AZIZ SECGEN OF SEGUIA EL HAMRA AND RIO DEL ORO LIBERATION FRONT (POLISARIO) AND POLISARIO MEMBER MOHAMMED OULD ZIO AND MOHAMMED AL AMIN THE PRIME MINISTER OF THE SAHARAN DEMOCRATIC ARAB REPUBLIC. COL QADHAFI ALSO MET WITH LEBANESE PROGRESSIVE SOCIALIST PARTY LEADER WALID JUMBLATT WHO IS PRESENTLY VISITING LIBYA.

4. COL. QADHAFI MET JULY 1 WITH A DELEGATION OF THE POPULAR FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF ERITREA LED BY RAMADAN MOHAMMED NUR THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE FRONT. THE DELEGATION INCLUDED MIFIN HAQUS AND MOHAMMED SAID MEMBERS OF THE FRONT POLITBURO. THE MEETING WITH QADHAFI WAS ATTENDED BY LIBYAN SECRETARY FOR LIAISON BEN AMIR.

5. A GREEK TRADE DELEGATION HEADED BY GREEK DEPUTY MINISTER OF COMMERCE YEORYIOUS PANAYIOTOPOLUOUS ARRIVED IN TRIPOLI JULY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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1 FOR TALKS WITH LIBYAN OFFICIALS. THE TWO COUNTRIES REPORTEDLY WILL DISCUSS ASPECTS OF MUTUAL COOPERATION AND BILATERAL AGREEMENTS WHICH WILL SERVE THE INTERESTS OF LIBYAN AND GREEK PEOPLES.

6. DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. THE LIBYAN GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED ON JULY 2 THAT LIBYA HAD RAISED ITS LEVEL OF REPRESENTATION IN THE NEW REPUBLIC OF DJIBOUTI TO THE AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL. THE LIBYAN GOVERNMENT ALSO ANNOUNCED ON JULY 2 THAT LIBYA AND THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND HAD ESTABLISHED POLITICAL RELATIONS AT THE AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL. THE ANNOUNCEMENT CAME IN THE FORM OF A JOINT STATEMENT ISSUED RECENTLY WHICH INDICATED THAT THE RAISING OF REPRESENTATION TO THE AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL WAS A STEP FOR CONSOLIDATING FRIENDSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

7. NEW AGREEMENTS. LIBYA AND ETHIOPIA JUNE 27 SIGNED FIVE COOPERATION AGREEMENTS IN THE FIELDS OF ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION, TRADE AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF JOINT VENTURE COMPANIES FOR AGRICULTURE, MINERAL WEALTH, MARINE TRANSPORT AND MINING. THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED BY LIBYAN SECRETARY OF MUNICIPALITIES OMAR DOURDA AND ETHIOPIAN MINISTERS OF MINING,

CULTURE, TRADE, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNICATIONS AND INDUSTRY. THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED DURING THE LIBYAN MINISTER'S TRIP TO ADDIS ABABA.

8. NEW BROADCASTING STATION. LIBYA AND YUGOSLAVIA HAVE SIGNED AN AGREEMENT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF A NEW BROADCAST STATION FOR LIBYA COSTING 67 MILLION DOLLARS. THE STATION WILL BE CONSTRUCTED IN THE LIBYAN TOWN OF JAURA. ACCORDING TO MEDIA, YUGOSLAVS HAVE CONSTRUCTED RADIO STATIONS IN LIBYAN TOWNS OF SEBHA, BAYDA, BENGHAZI AND TRIPOLI TOTALLING MORE THAN 30 MILLION DOLLARS.
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